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To Eliminate the code requirement for an Amateur license will in the end be the end of ORGANIZED and respectable Ham Radio. I fear we will create another CB craze that will grow until it is chaos because it can not be controlled. In my estimation a 5 WPM code test is not an obstacle. I had been out of Ham Radio for over forty [40] years and I studied until I could pass it. I am now 59 years old and had no problem. I think that perhaps the needs of the manufacturers and that of the VECS will be upper most in the thoughts of the FCC. I realize that for a few the changed is driven by money and the need for it. I think that people who do not want to take an easy code test are lazy and want their ticket handed to them. My first exam was 13 WPM and a written test that WAS NOT multiple choice and it was passable with a little effort. I drive a car, and for my drivers license I had to back up and park to show my skill, it does not mean I will ever have to use that skill, code is no different. The history of Amateur Radio is a proud on and a respected one. Please do not put it in the same category as Citizens Band Radio !!

Thank you
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